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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 32 as follows:

The blind disk 7, which is empty of fluid, on the one hand allows thermal insulation of the flow assemblies 120 and 130, which are preferably at different temperature levels, and on the other hand is also used to check the leaktightness and to prevent fluids 3 and 2, in operation, from becoming mixed unnoticed in the event of leaks occurring in the two flow devices and/or fluid circuits. The blind disk 7 is closed on all sides and has a small opening 8 to the outside on the side of its edge web. In the event of a leak, the respective fluid can flow out through this opening and does not penetrate into a different flow device. Alternately, or in addition, a leaktightness sensor 70, illustrated in Figure 1, may be provided which causes a physically perceptible signal to be output in the event of a fluid escaping from one of the flow devices.